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Date:

July 15, 2009

<u>X</u> =

Shareholder =

State =

Date =

Dear :

This responds to a letter dated February 2, 2009, and subsequent correspondence, submitted on behalf of  $\underline{X}$ , requesting relief under § 1362(b)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The information submitted states that  $\underline{X}$  was incorporated on  $\underline{Date}$  under the laws of  $\underline{State}$ . Shareholder is the 100% shareholder of  $\underline{X}$ .  $\underline{X}$  represents that  $\underline{Shareholder}$  intended for  $\underline{X}$  to be treated as an S corporation for the taxable year in which  $\underline{X}$  began doing business, but no Form 2553, Election by a Small Business Corporation, was timely filed for  $\underline{X}$ .  $\underline{X}$  requests to be treated as an S corporation effective  $\underline{Date}$ .

Section 1362(a) provides that a small business corporation may elect to be an S corporation. Section 1362(b) provides the rule on when an S election will be effective.

Section 1362(b)(5) provides that if: (1) no § 1362(a) election is made for any taxable year, and (2) the Secretary determines that there was reasonable cause for the failure to timely make such election, then the Secretary may treat such an election as timely made for such taxable year.

 $\underline{X}$  did not timely file an election to be treated as an S corporation under § 1362(a) effective  $\underline{Date}$ .  $\underline{X}$  has, however, established reasonable cause for not making a timely S election and is entitled to relief under § 1362(b)(5).

Based solely on the facts submitted and the representations made, and provided that  $\underline{X}$  otherwise qualifies as an S corporation, we conclude that  $\underline{X}$  will be treated as an S corporation effective  $\underline{Date}$ . Within 60 days from the date of this letter,  $\underline{X}$  should submit a properly completed Form 2553, effective  $\underline{Date}$ , with a copy of this letter attached, to the appropriate service center.

Except as specifically set forth above, no opinion is expressed or implied as to the federal income tax consequences of the transaction described above under any other provision of the Code. Specifically, no opinion is expressed concerning whether  $\underline{X}$  otherwise qualifies as an S corporation for federal tax purposes.

This ruling is directed only to the taxpayer requesting it. Section 6110(k)(3) of the Code provides that it may not be used or cited as precedent.

In accordance with the power of attorney on file with this office, a copy of this letter is being sent to  $\underline{X}$ 's authorized representative.

Sincerely,

Bradford R. Poston Senior Counsel, Branch 2 Office of the Associate Chief Counsel (Passthroughs & Special Industries)

Enclosures (2):

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